

A circular black ink stamp. The outer ring contains the text "O I P E J C 7 8" at the top and "P A T E N T &amp; T R A D E M A R K O F F I C E" at the bottom. In the center, the date "MAY 12 2003" is stamped.

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**AFTER-FINAL AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116**

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A response to the Office Action dated February 21, 2003 (Paper No. 14) is due by May 21, 2003. Therefore, please accept this Amendment as timely filed.

For the purpose of placing the above-captioned application in immediate condition for allowance, or alternatively, in better form for appeal, Applicants respectfully request entry and consideration of this Amendment under 37 C.F.R. §1.116.

In response to Paper No. 14, kindly amend the above-identified patent application as follows.

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